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Dear Andy,

Thanks for sending along your study on expatriate employees and for sharing with me your thoughts on how United States laws and policy impact on Americans living abroad. Your study certainly adds fuel to the fire that there is yet much our government can do to better serve (and utilize the services of) American citizens residing in foreign countries.

I agree that expatriate Americans should be considered as strong national assets and could be utilized in a number of ways to propound our way of life. (For instance, we need all the help we can get in the export field.) That the U.S. does care for its citizens abroad is clear to me, however. Witness our most recent evacuation of Americans from a troubled Iran. On the other hand, your point does have validity in that government care and interest should be constant and continuing.

As you know, in my business we operate under pretty strict guidelines when it comes to interaction with Americans (whether at home or abroad), so I'm afraid I can't be of too much help to you in my present capacity. Nevertheless, I will certainly keep an eye out for any information which may be of use to you in stoking the fire.

All the best.

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Yours.

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